

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Favorable consideration and entry of the present amendment is respectfully requested.

Claims 20-24 were allowed in the Notice of Allowance mailed December 2, 2005.

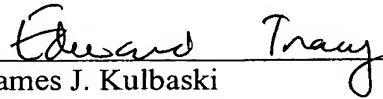
Claims 20 and 22-24 are amended herewith to delete redundant claim elements. The redundancies were uncovered in Applicants' post allowance review of the application and are being timely and diligently corrected. No new matter is involved and no new issues are believed to be raised.

Further, it is respectfully requested that the Information Disclosure Statement filed January 9, 2006 be considered.

In view of the prior indication of allowability, no further issues are outstanding and the present application is believed to be in condition for formal allowance. An early and favorable action to that effect is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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